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POLICY

NEAR TERM

REDUCE HAZARDS PRESENTED BY INVENTORY MUNITIONS BY DEVELOPING AND INCORPORATING ENERGY SUPPRESSION DEVICES, PACKAGING REDESIGN, APPLYING INNOVATIVE STORAGE AND HANDLING TECHNIQUES, AND UTILIZATION OF STORAGE FACILITIES

LONG RANGE

TRANSITION TO INSENSITIVE OR LESS SENSITIVE MUNITIONS IN ALL MAJOR WEAPONS SYSTEMS, AS SOON AS PRACTICAL WITHOUT LOSING OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS / CAPABILITY



WHAT THE IM PROGRAM DOES

- PROVIDE A MORE EFFICIENT, AND EFFECTIVE AIR FORCE
 - •• ELEVATE MOBS AND COBS TO FULL CAPABILITY
 - ••• MUNITIONS ON BASE
 - ••• NEAR HARDENED A/C SHELTERS
 - •• INCREASE SURVIVABILITY OF AIRBASE AND ASSETS
 - ••• MINIMIZE MAXIMUM CREDIBLE EXPLOSIVES EVENT
 - •• FREE UP TRANSPORTATION RESOURCES
- SAVE MONEY
 - COST AVOIDANCE
 - •• REDUCE COSTS



SUPPORT

- HQ TAC / LG message to HQ USAF / XOO / LEY / AQT, Mar 89 ---"...IM Program believed to have significant impact on effort to maintain current levels of operational support..." "Tac will submit IM as separate candidate for the FY 91 TAF RD&A list."
- AFISC / CC message to HQ USAF / XOO / LEY, May 90 --- "...IM Program has great potential benefit by providing operational capability within existing safety constraints and in permitting the use of new safety criteria which more accurately reflect the actual risk posed by munitions and explosives."
- SAC / CS letter to HQ USAF / LEY / LEE / XOX, December 89 --- "...IM program will benefit
 the Strategic Air Command by enhancing personnel and ordnance safety and
 increasing our munitions storage capability without increasing construction costs..."
- HQ PACAF / DO / LG message to HQ USAF / XOO / AQT / LEY, May 90 --- "...this command strongly supports the benefits of the insensitive munitions (IM) program offers. We believe it offers great potential, decreases cost and increases our command's combat capability."
- HQ USAF / XOX message to MSD / CC, April 90 4- "...expect IM will offer high payoff in terms of reduced munitions malpositioning problems, increase air base survivability, safer and less costly transportation and storage."
- HQ USAFE / LGW / DEV / SEW message to HQ USAF / LEY, October 89 --- "...capability to store munitions is presently restricted by inaccurate, inflated, or undetermined explosive criteria. IM program provides a near-term avenue for resolving these problems. Request immediate support..."



PROGRAM ACTIVITIES / STATUS

HQ/TAC BRIEFED 8 JUNE 90

- DR DRAFTING PDP FOR SUBMISSION IN TAC'S FY91 RD & A
 LIST
- DR NOTIFIED AIR STAFF OF THEIR INTENT
- DR MESSAGE 26 JULY 90 TO ALL MAJCOMS REQUESTING THEY INCLUDE THE IM PROGRAM ON THEIR FY91 RD & A LIST

HQ USAF / XOO / LEY / LEX BRIEFED 3 JULY 90

- REACTION FULL SUPPORT
- XOO BRIEFING DO LOGISTIC COMMANDERS
- ACTIONS TAKEN TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES



BACKGROUND

• SEPT 87	INSENSITIVE MUNITIONS MOU SIGNED BY JCS		
• SEPT 87	CSAF/CV DIRECTED THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN IM PROGRAM		
• SEPT 87	IM PROGRAM OFFICE CADRE FORMED		
• MAR 88	AFSC SUBMITTED DRAFT MASTER PLAN TO CSAF/CV		
• APR 89	MASTER PLAN APPROVED BY HQ USAF/XOX		
• MAY 89	TAF SON 309-88 VALIDATED		
• JAN 90	PMD BEING STAFFED AT AIR STAFF		



HOW IM WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED

- PROVIDE SITE SURVEY / MUNITIONS HAZARD REDUCTION PLANNING
- DEVELOP / IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS TO MITIGATE REACTIONS BETWEEN MUNITIONS



CROTONE AIR BASE SURVEY

- USAFE / DEE REQUESTED A REVIEW OF A&E'S 35% DESIGN OF CROTONE AB EXPLOSIVES FACILITIES
- FACILITIES RE-SITED TO ELIMINATE DISCREPANCIES, REDUCE COST AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY

A&E DESIGN

- 55 IGLOOS (31 RESTRICTED)
- 34 NATO SURVIVABILITY CRITERIA VIOLATIONS
- MUNITIONS OPERATING FACILITIES RESTRICTED

DESIGN RECOMMENDED BY SURVEY (SAME LAND AREA)

- 60 IGLOOS (NONE RESTRICTED)
 24 ADDITIONAL (FUTURE EXPANSION)
- NO SURVIVABILITY VIOLATIONS
- NO RESTRICTIONS

OMAN SITE PLANNING

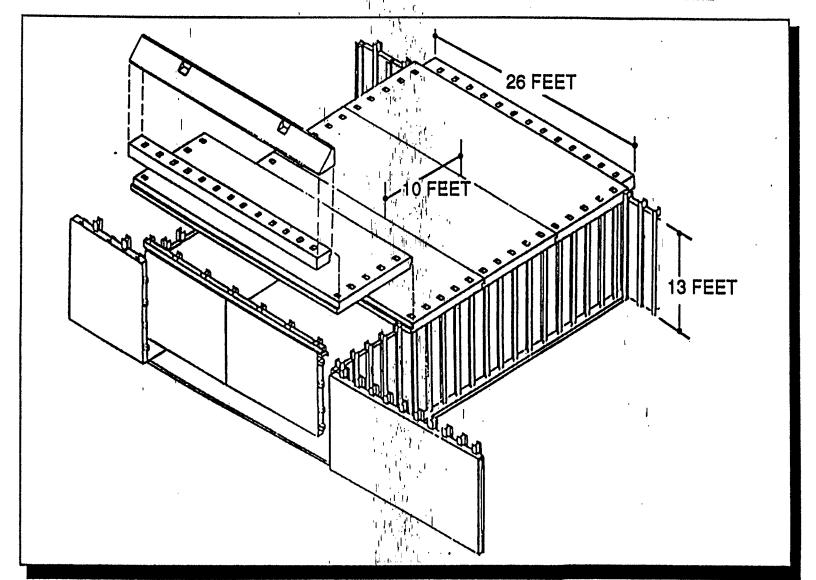
- IN SUPPORT OF CENTAF / LGW
- REVISED SITINGS OF THREE AIR BASES IN OMAN
- SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN NET EXPLOSIVES WEIGHT (NEW)
 - 4.6 MILLION POUNDS NEW WITH NO CONSTRUCTION
 - ADDITIONAL 1.7 MILLION POUNDS BY CONSTRUCTING EARTH BARRICADES
- ALL GAINS MADE WITHIN EXISTING CLEAR ZONES

IM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM / TEST TASKS

- MUNITIONS STORAGE MODULE(S)
- HARDENED AIRCRAFT SHELTER
- GENERIC BUFFER FOR STORAGE
- 1.2 HAZARD REDUCTION
- FLIGHTLINE STORAGE BINS
 - LIGHTNING PROTECTION
- CBU 87 / 89
- AIM-7 / AIM-9 HAZARD REDUCTION
- **◆ 40MM GRENADE (M433)**
- AGM 65 PROPAGATION TEST
- AGM 65 MOTOR CONTRIBUTION TEST
- AGM 45 HAZARD CLASSIFICATION TEST
- MK 20 HAZARD REDUCTION
- STANDARDIZED BUILD-UP AREA

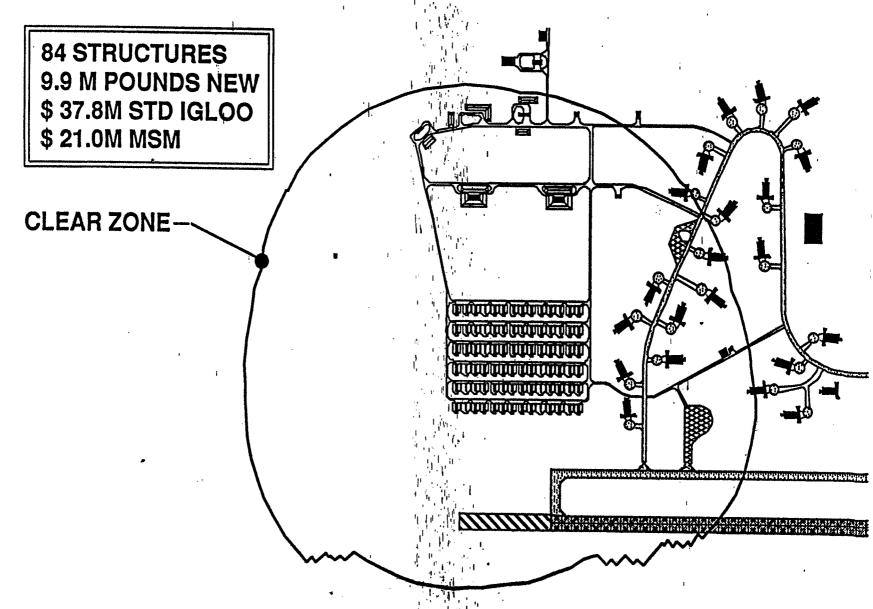


MUNITIONS STORAGE MODULE (MSM)





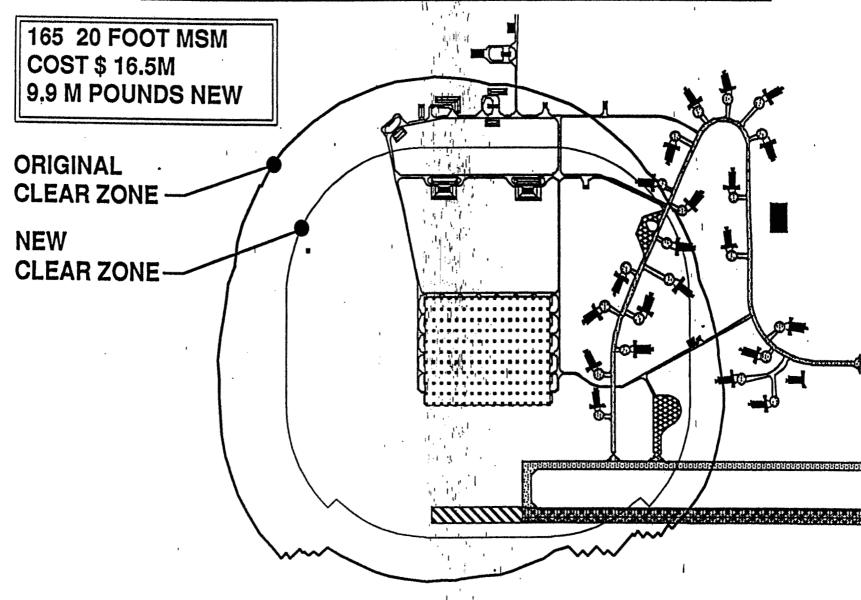
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MUNITIONS STORAGE MODULES SAME FOOTPRINT



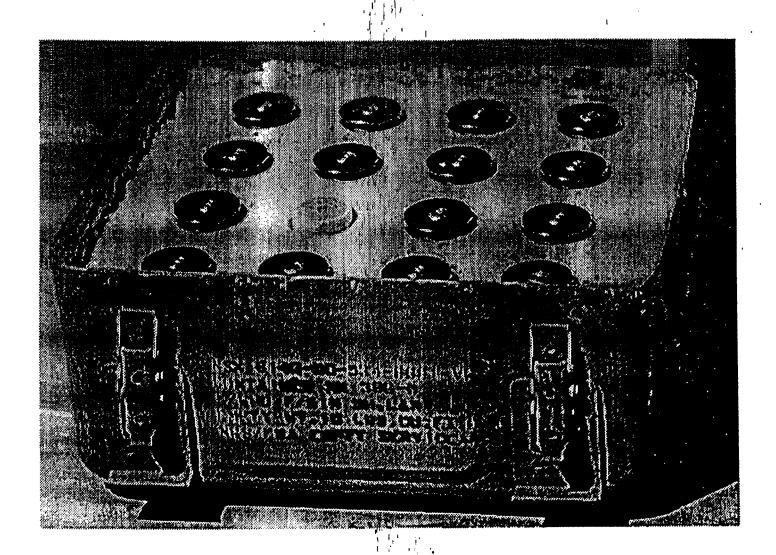


MSM PAYOFF

- OPERATIONAL
 - .. MORE MUNITIONS ON BASE
 - •• INCREASED SURVIVABILITY
 - .. SITE ADAPTABLE
- COST
 - •• STANDARD 80 FOOT IGLOO ≈ \$450K
 - •• 80 FOOT MSM ≈ \$250K
- COST SAVINGS (POTENTIAL)
 - •• GREATER THAN \$ 20 M PER YEAR OVER NEXT SEVEN YEARS
- STATUS
- •• \$950K REQUIRED TO COMPLETE
- .. SCHEDULE ONE YEAR



40 MM GRENADE (M433)



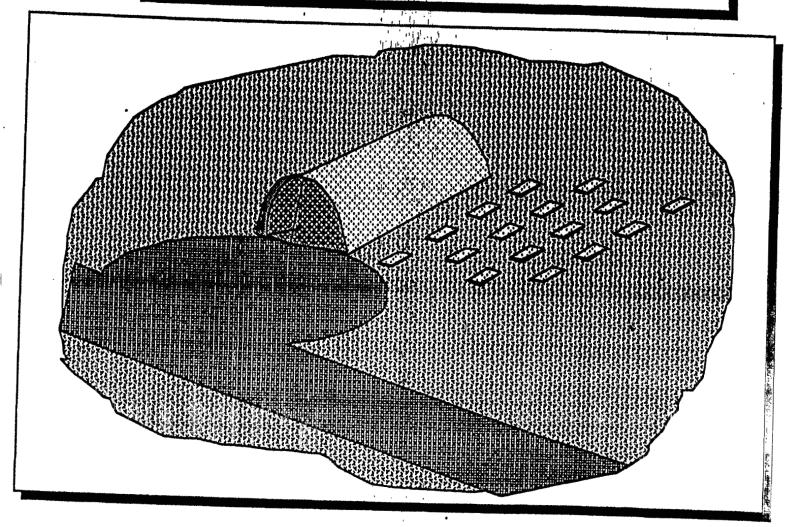


40MM GRENADE PAYOFF

- GRENADES IN ARMORY WHERE NEEDED
- MASS DETONATION HAZARD ELIMINATED
- STATUS
 - •• FEASIBILITY DEMONSTRATED
 - •• \$200K REQUIRED TO COMPLETE
 - .. SCHEDULE ONE YEAR

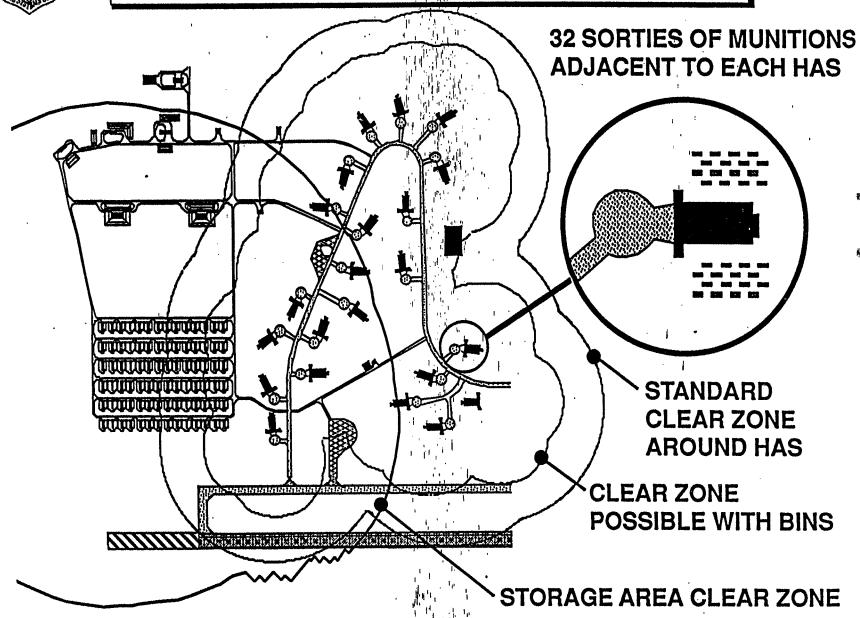


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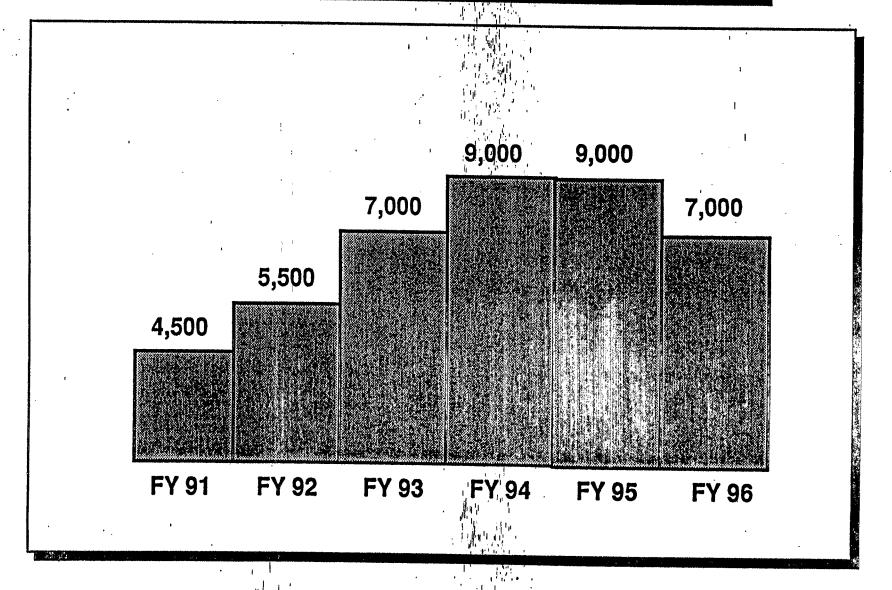


FLIGHTLINE STORAGE BIN PAYOFF

- OPERATIONAL
 - •• MUNITIONS AT HAS-WHERE NEEDED WHEN NEEDED
 - •• INCREASED SORTIE GENERATION CAPABILITY
 - INCREASED WARFIGHTING CAPABILITY
 - INCREASED SURVIVABILITY
- COST
 - •• COULD REDUCE IGLOO REQUIREMENTS
- STATUS
 - •• FEASIBILITY DEMONSTRATED
 - •• \$ 1.5 M REQUIRED TO COMPLETE
 - .. SCHEDULE TWO YEARS



AF IM REQUIRED FUNDING PROFILE (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)





SUMMARY

- IM PROGRAM WILL IMPROVE OPERABILITY AND SURVIVABILITY
- SIGNIFICANT COST AVOIDANCE / COST SAVINGS
- AFSC POSTURED TO EXECUTE THE IM PROGRAM
 - •• BASIC PROGRAM OFFICE ESTABLISHED
 - •• IM EFFORTS ORGANIZED AND CENTRALIZED
 - •• PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH IDENTIFIED